

Codebook for the variables used in the article “Attitudinal consistency in citizens’ social policy preferences” - Ares, Häusermann, Enggist & Pinggera
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For a full description of the dataset, questionnaire and detailed question wording see:
<http://welfarepriorities.eu/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/HausermannEtal2020.pdf>

Variable name	Description
<i>id</i>	Respondent’s unique identifier
<i>country</i>	Respondent’s country of residence
<i>age</i>	Respondent’s age
<i>exp_pension</i>	Support for the policy reform proposal: “The government should increase old age pension benefits.”
<i>ret_pension</i>	Support for the policy reform proposal: “The government should reduce old age pension benefits.”
<i>exp_child</i>	Support for the policy reform proposal: “The government should increase the availability of good-quality childcare services.”
<i>ret_child</i>	Support for the policy reform proposal: “The government should increase the fees for public childcare services.”
<i>exp_univ</i>	Support for the policy reform proposal: “The government should expand access to good-quality university education for students from lower-income families.”
<i>ret_univ</i>	Support for the policy reform proposal: “The government should increase student fees for university education for students from middle- and higher- income families.”
<i>exp_unemp</i>	Support for the policy reform proposal: “The government should increase unemployment benefits.”
<i>ret_unemp</i>	Support for the policy reform proposal: “The government should reduce unemployment benefits.”
<i>exp_almp</i>	Support for the policy reform proposal: “The government should expand services that help reintegrate the long-term unemployed into the labour market.”
<i>ret_almp</i>	Support for the policy reform proposal: “The government should provide labour market reintegration services only to the long-term unemployed (rather than all unemployed).”
<i>exp_immig</i>	Support for the policy reform proposal: “The government should expand social assistance benefits for [COUNTRY] nationals only.”
<i>ret_immig</i>	Support for the policy reform proposal: “The government should reduce social assistance benefits only for the non-[COUNTRY NATIONALITY].”
<i>trade_off</i>	Level of agreement with the statement “Nowadays, the welfare state can’t offer everything that one may wish for. If you increase benefits for some people, sooner or later someone else will have to accept lower benefits.”
<i>fiscal_const</i>	Level of agreement with the statement “Taxes are already high. The government should not levy more money from citizens via taxes anymore.”

<i>tradeoff_pension</i>	Degree to which the respondent finds acceptable that “The government guarantees decent old age pension benefits for all future pensioners, at a cost of somewhat lowering benefits for current pensioners”.
<i>tradeoff_child</i>	Degree to which the respondent finds acceptable that “The government increases the availability of good-quality childcare, at a cost of lowering child benefits.”
<i>tradeoff_unemppen</i>	Degree to which the respondent finds acceptable that “The government increases benefits for the unemployed, at a cost of slightly lowering the maximum old age pension benefits.”
<i>tradeoff_univ</i>	Degree to which the respondent finds acceptable that “The government increases financial support for university students from low-income families, at a cost of raising fees for students from middle- and high-income families.”
<i>tradeoff_migrpen</i>	Degree to which the respondent finds acceptable that “The government provides more services to help migrants find a job, at a cost of slightly lowering old age pensions for everyone.”
<i>tradeoff_childpen</i>	Degree to which the respondent finds acceptable that “The government increases the availability of good-quality childcare, at the cost of slightly lowering the maximum old age pension benefits.”
<i>rr_exp_minpen</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting different reforms that expand social benefits to the reform: “increase the minimum level of old age pension benefits”
<i>rr_exp_penbft</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting different reforms that expand social benefits to the reform: “increase old age pension benefits for everyone.”
<i>rr_exp_childli</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting different reforms that expand social benefits to the reform: “increase the availability of good-quality childcare services only for lower-income families.”
<i>rr_exp_child</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting different reforms that expand social benefits to the reform: “increase the availability of good-quality childcare services for everyone.”
<i>rr_exp_univ</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting different reforms that expand social benefits to the reform: “expand access to good quality university education for all students”
<i>rr_exp_univli</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting different reforms that expand social benefits to the reform: “expand access to good quality university education only for students from lower-income families”
<i>rf_exp_pension</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting expansion across different social policy fields to the field: “Old age pensions”
<i>rf_exp_child</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting expansion across different social policy fields to the field: “Childcare”
<i>rf_exp_univ</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting expansion across different social policy fields to the field: “University education”

<i>rf_exp_unemp</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting expansion across different social policy fields to the field: "Unemployment benefits"
<i>rf_exp_almp</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting expansion across different social policy fields to the field: "Labour market reintegration services"
<i>rf_exp_immig</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting expansion across different social policy fields to the field: "Services for the social and labour market integration of immigrants"
<i>rr_ret_pensbft</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting different reforms that retrench social benefits to the reform: "reduce old age pension benefits for everyone."
<i>rr_ret_maxpen</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting different reforms that retrench social benefits to the reform: "reduce only the maximum level of old age pension benefits, but preserve the minimum level as it is."
<i>rr_ret_childcarehi</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting different reforms that retrench social benefits to the reform: "increase the fees for public childcare services only for middle- and higher-income families."
<i>rr_ret_child</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting different reforms that retrench social benefits to the reform: "increase the fees for public childcare services for everyone"
<i>rr_ret_univhi</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting different reforms that retrench social benefits to the reform: "increase student fees for university education except for students from lower-income families"
<i>rr_ret_univ</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting different reforms that retrench social benefits to the reform: "increase student fees for university education."
<i>rf_ret_pension</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting retrenchment across different social policy fields to the field: "Old age pensions"
<i>rf_ret_child</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting retrenchment across different social policy fields to the field: "Childcare"
<i>rf_ret_univ</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting retrenchment across different social policy fields to the field: "University education"
<i>rf_ret_unemp</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting retrenchment across different social policy fields to the field: "Unemployment benefits"
<i>rf_ret_almp</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting retrenchment across different social policy fields to the field: "Labour market reintegration services"
<i>rf_ret_immig</i>	Points allocated in the rating task presenting retrenchment across different social policy fields to the field: "Services for the social and labour market integration of migrants"
<i>pol_interest</i>	Interest in politics

<i>income</i>	Household's yearly total income decile (after tax and compulsory deductions)
<i>ideology</i>	Ideological self-placement on 0-10 ideological scale
<i>female</i>	Respondents' reported sex: female
<i>education_rec</i>	Highest level of education completed by the respondent
<i>timeconjoint</i>	Time taken to respond to conjoint tasks in the survey